UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH DAKOTA SOUTHERN DIVISION

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JAMES G. ABOUREZK; JANE FONDA; ROXANNE DUNBAR-ORTIZ,)) Civ. No. 03-4146
Plaintiffs,)
vs.)
) DEFENDANTS' RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFFS'
PROBUSH.COM, INC., a Pennsylvania) STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED FACTS
Corporation; MICHAEL MARINO; and)
BEN MARINO,)
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Defendants.)
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Plaintiffs have filed a motion for partial summary judgment. Defendants' Probush.com, Inc., Michael Marino, and Ben Marino respectfully submit this response to Plaintiffs' Statement of Undisputed Material Facts pursuant to D.S.D. Local Rule 56.1(C). This response is supported by previously filed affidavits with attached documentary evidence.

RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED FACTS

- 1. Not disputed.
- 2. Not disputed.
- 3. Not disputed.
- 4. Not disputed.
- 5. Not disputed.
- 6. Not disputed.
- 7. Not disputed.
- 8. Disputed in part. The Defendants' website had a "Traitor List" that listed a number of prominent Americans including the Plaintiffs, but the list did not state that the

celebrities listed were "traitors to the United States," but in fact stated that the list was a parody and expressly stated that these people were *not* real traitors or legal traitors to the United States. Deposition of Benjamin Marino, page 49, lines 15-20; Deposition of Michael Marino, pages 60, lines 7-9.

- 9. Not disputed.
- 10. Not disputed.
- 11. Disputed. The ProBush.com website placed Plaintiffs, James Abourezk, Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz, and Jane Fonda on its "Traitor List," but the list did not state that the celebrities listed were "traitors to the United States," but in fact stated that the list was a parody and that these people were *not* real traitors or legal traitors to the United States. Deposition of Benjamin Marino, page 49, lines 15-20; Deposition of Michael Marino, page 60, lines 7-9.
- 12. Not disputed.
- 13. Not disputed.
- 14. Not disputed.
- 15. Not disputed.
- 16. Not disputed.
- 17. Not disputed.
- 18. Not disputed.
- 19. Not disputed.
- 20. Not disputed.
- 21. Not disputed.
- 22. Not disputed.

23. Not disputed.
24. Not disputed.
25. Not disputed.
26. Not disputed.
27. Not disputed. However, the Plaintiffs' have provided an incorrect citation. The
correct citation to this statement is Deposition of Michael Marino, page 29, lines 4-7.
28. Not disputed.
29. Not disputed.
30. Not disputed.
31. Not disputed.
32. Disputed in part. Defendant Benjamin Marino stated in his deposition that he
published the website because there was a niche for support for President Bush and
was looking at it more from the business angle. Dep. of B. Marino, p. 44, lines 8-14.
33. Not disputed.
34. Not disputed.
35. Not disputed.
36. Not disputed.
37. Not disputed.
38. Not disputed.
39. Not disputed.
40. Not disputed.
41. Not disputed.
42. Not disputed.

- 43. Not disputed.
- 44. Not disputed.
- 45. Not disputed.
- 46. Not disputed.
- 47. Not disputed.
- 48. Not disputed.
- 49. Disputed. The disclaimer was first added to the "Traitor List" as soon as it went up on the website and the "Traitor List" was never without a disclaimer. The Plaintiff clearly saw the disclaimer on the website due to the fact the initial correspondences from the Plaintiffs' attorney to the Defendants addressed the "legal disclaimer" and the fact that the Plaintiff "realized the Defendants attempted to place a disclaimer on the site." Deposition of Michael Marino, page 58, lines 6-21; *See also* Deposition of Senator James Abourezk, *Exhibit 13* and *Exhibit 14*.
- 50. Not disputed.
- 51. Not disputed.
- 52. Not disputed.

Dated this 5th day of August, 2005.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of **Defendants' Response** to **Plaintiffs' Undisputed Material Facts** was served by first class U.S. mail, postage prepaid, upon on:

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